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## PUBLIC HEALTH REPORTS.

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### UNITED STATES.

#### *Assignment of inspectors to the fruit ports of Central and South America.*

The following-named acting assistant surgeons have been appointed and assigned to the fruit ports of Central and South America for the coming season for the purpose of inspecting the vessels, their cargoes and crews, bound from said ports to ports of the United States.

W. H. Carson, Belize, British Honduras.

D. W. Goodman, Bluefields, Nicaragua.

Paul Osterhout, Bocas del Toro, Colombia.

W. B. Robertson, Ceiba, Honduras.

R. H. Peters, Livingston, Guatemala.

Fleetwood Gruver, Port Limon, Costa Rica.

C. S. Carter, Puerto Cortez, Honduras.

#### *Instructions to inspectors.*

MARCH 28, 1903.

A. A. Surg. PAUL OSTERHOUT,

*Public Health and Marine-Hospital Service.*

SIR: Referring to Bureau letter of 24th instant, transmitting your appointment as an acting assistant surgeon at the above-named port, you are requested to observe the following instructions in carrying out your duties. As soon as possible an order will be issued attaching you to the consular agency in accordance with the law of February 15, 1893.

You should call upon the consular agent immediately upon your arrival and inform him of your orders. The State Department will be requested to instruct said consular agent to transfer to you the public property left in his custody by your predecessor at the close of the last quarantine season, a list of which is inclosed herewith.